# Bay Area Regional Economic Development

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## Plan Bay Area Economic Development Action Item Elements

- Coordinated regional economic development
- Workforce access and enhancement
- Middle wage industries
- Transportation access and infrastructure maintenance
- Priority Production Areas

## Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy

- Regional Planning Committee/Economic Strategy Committee oversight
- Updated economic profile focusing on strengths, vulnerabilities, uncertainties and opportunities
- Goals, Objectives, Strategies and Actions as framework for regional and local efforts
- Metrics of Progress

### **Partners**

#### Groups

- Economic & Workforce Development
- City and County
   Agencies & Elected
   Officials
- Business Community
- Academic & Research Institutions
- Non Profits & CBOs

#### Work

- Economic Strategy
   Committee
- Partnerships
- Subregional presentations
- Questionnaire for stakeholder organizations
- Draft for public review
- Briefings to elected officials, stakeholder groups

#### Poverty in the Midst of Plenty

	Per Capita Income (2015)	Unemployment Rate (2016)
Bay Area	\$42,137	3.9
US	\$28,930	4.9

- Distressed area threshold
  - 80% of US per capita (\$23,140 in 2015), OR
  - Unemployment Rate 1% higher than the US
- Bay Area residents living in distressed areas (on average, 2011-2015)
  - 2.57 million

Source: ABAG from California EDD and Census ACS 5 year estimates.

#### Regional Vision

 A strong and resilient economy, spurred by a culture of innovation and inclusion, providing opportunities, shared prosperity, and a sustainable quality of life for all residents and workers

#### Goals

- Goal 1: BUSINESS CLIMATE. Retain and expand our strong economic base and culture of innovation.
- Goal 2: WORKFORCE. Provide pathways to better jobs, improve the alignment between workforce skills and business needs, and evaluate ways to improve low wage occupations.
- Goal 3: HOUSING AND WORKSPACE. House the labor force needed to fill the low, middle and high wage jobs required by our economy while providing flexibility for timely expansion of workspaces.
- Goal 4: INFRASTRUCTURE. Prioritize investments to address the growing strains on transportation, water, energy and communications.

## **Strategy Themes**

Goal	Key Strategies
BUSINESS CLIMATE	<ul><li>Supporting economic drivers, clusters</li><li>Focus on middle wage jobs</li></ul>
WORKFORCE	<ul><li>Partnerships with business</li><li>Collaboration across training programs</li></ul>
HOUSING / WORK SPACES	<ul><li>Affordable housing</li><li>Regulatory changes</li><li>Priority production areas</li><li>Capital</li></ul>
INFRASTRUCTURE	<ul> <li>Transit access</li> <li>Transit close to employment</li> <li>Water and energy resources</li> <li>Public private partnerships</li> <li>Capital</li> </ul>

#### SCHEDULE AND NEXT STEPS

Spring 2016: Initial Planning and Engagement

June – Jan 2017: Develop CEDS Framework with Stakeholders and Strategy Committee

Spring 2017: INTITIAL DRAFT CEDS Distribution for Public Comment

Spring – Fall 2017: FINAL DRAFT CEDS, County Endorsements, Governance Structure

Fall 2017: Submit EDA Application, Establish Regional EDD

### Thank You

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